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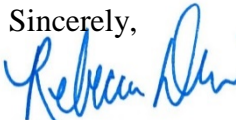
The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd  
Chief Clerk/Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs of Duke Energy Progress, LLC  
Docket No. 2018-1-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

On April 27, 2018, Duke Energy Progress, LLC (“DEP” or the “Company”) filed with the Commission direct testimony related to the annual review of base rates for fuel costs of DEP, which included the testimony of Company witness Joseph A. Miller, Jr. Due to a scheduling conflict, DEP proposes to substitute Bryan P. Walsh as a witness for Mr. Miller. In order to facilitate this substitution, the Company is herewith filing the testimony of Mr. Walsh, which adopts the substantive testimony of Mr. Miller in its entirety, without changes, and substitutes the biographical information of Mr. Miller for that of Mr. Walsh. Mr. Walsh is fully informed about the matters discussed in the testimony and will be able to respond to questions regarding its content. To the extent it is determined that a motion is needed to substitute Mr. Walsh for Mr. Miller, please consider this letter a motion to substitute these witnesses.

All parties of record have separately indicated that they have no objection to this proposed substitution. By copy of this letter, Mr. Walsh’s testimony is being served on the parties of record. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 803.988.7130.

Sincerely,  
  
Rebecca J. Dulin

Enclosure

cc w/enc: Heather Shirley Smith, Deputy General Counsel (via email)  
Parties of Record